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2006 New York Public Transit Association Bus Rodeo

Cynthia Ruiz, Director of Public Transit for Ulster County and Hector Rodriguez, Chairman of the Economic Development, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee join together to announce the 2006 New York Public Transit Association Bus Rodeo to be held on Saturday, September 16.

Bus Operators from all over New York State will compete in the 2006 New York Public Transit Association Bus Rodeo on Saturday, September 16, at the Bank of America parking lot in the Town of Ulster.

Transit systems throughout the State will send Bus Operators who are considered the "Best of the Best" to drive a bus through a test course simulating various situations encountered on the road.

Ulster County Area Transit is the host property. The event, last held in Ulster County in 2001, is sponsored by the New York Public Transit Association.

Competition will begin at 12 Noon and continue until 3 PM. The public is invited to attend this free event.

Ulster County Legislature Chairman David B. Donaldson will speak at the opening ceremony at 11 AM. The Hudson Valley Youth Chorale will sing the National Anthem.

Bus Operators Tony Jones and Doug Rowles will represent the Ulster County Area Transit in the competition. Sharon Peters will compete for the Kingston Citi Bus.

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Other Transit operators sending competitors include the Capital District Transportation Authority, CNY Centro Inc., Centro of Oneida, First Transit, MTA Bus Co., MTA Long Island, New York City Transit, Regional Transit Service, Suffolk Bus Corporation and Tompkins Consolidated Area Transit.

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